



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 3623**
Yoshiaki TOMOTAKE et al. : Docket No. 2000_1428A
Serial No. 09/673,217 : Group Art Unit 1774
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RESPONSE TO FINAL REJECTION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Final Rejection dated September 1, 2004, the period for response having been extended for three months by the attached petition, please amend the present application as follows: